

# **SC Annual School Report Card Summary**

**Alice Drive Elementary** 

Sumter 17

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 616** 

Principal: Debra W. Thomas

Superintendent: Zona W. Jefferson, Ph. D. Board Chair: Mr. Greg L. Simonson

### PERFORMANCE

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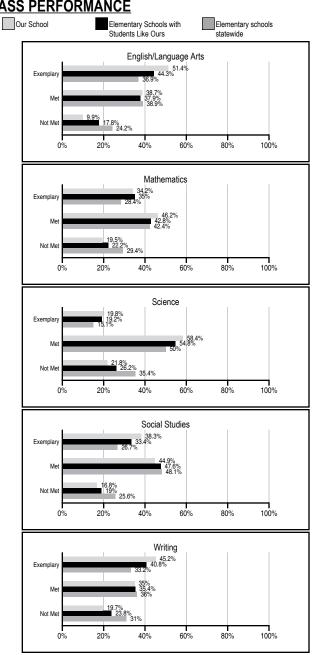
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Good	Excellent	TBD	TBD	Met	CSI-DELAY
2008	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Not Met	CSI
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI

## **ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\***

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
19	34	41	0	0

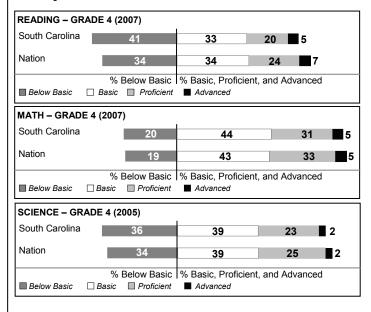
<sup>\*</sup> Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





#### NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



#### **SC PERFORMANCE GOAL**

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

#### 2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=616)				
Retention rate	2.2%	Down from 2.7%	1.7%	1.9%
Attendance rate	96.7%	Down from 96.8%	96.4%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	17.9%	Up from 17.4%	15.0%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	6.8%	Up from 6.5%	7.2%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	1.2%	Up from 1.0%	0.3%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=44)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	65.9%	Up from 59.6%	61.3%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	93.2%	Up from 91.5%	82.9%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	2.3%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.3%	Down from 91.5%	88.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	96.5%	Up from 95.0%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,732	Up 9.6%	\$48,092	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	14.2 days	Up from 10.0 days	11.3 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	11.0	Up from 10.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.4 to 1	Up from 16.2 to 1	19.3 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.7%	Up from 91.2%	90.5%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 96.5%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,477	Up 16.8%	\$6,972	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	73.6%	Up from 71.7%	69.0%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.9%	Down from 66.4%	62.3%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met  * Length of contract = 185+ days.	100.0%	Up from 94.1%	100.0%	100.0%

Length of contract = 185+ days.

## **EVALUATION RESULTS**

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	27	87	63
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.3%	91.9%	95.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	91.8%	98.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	93.1%	96.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The year 2008-2009 was another exciting year at Alice Drive Elementary (ADE)! We started the year with a school-wide project on learning about the Northern Right whale which calves off the coast of South Carolina and the legislative process to have the whale named the South Carolina Sea Mammal. Every grade level was involved in the research while selected students in grades 3, 4, and 5 met with our state senator to learn about the legislative process to share with the rest of the school. After a long campaign, the Right whale was named the South Carolina Migratory Sea Mammal.

We were very pleased with the increase in test scores which resulted in ADE receiving the Palmetto Silver Award from the State Department of Education. ADE was also awarded Picturing America, a free education resource of the National Endowment for the humanities distributed in cooperation with the American Library Association.

As an indicator of the quality of our faculty, one of our teachers was named Outstanding Alumni from USC Upstate while three others were added to our list of National Board Certified Teachers.

Students were recognized for their achievements as well. The Student Council continued its leadership by helping both the school and community. This group led our school in a canned food drive, collections for families at Christmas, funding for Zig the Pig, cancer research for children in South Carolina, and sponsored drug and alcohol awareness during Red Ribbon Week. The Green Team, our environmental club, sponsored several recycling drives from calendars to old tennis shoes to help lessen ADE's carbon imprint on the environment. Six of our students were named to the South Carolina Honors Choir and performed with other honorees at the South Carolina Music Educators Conference in February.

Through the efforts of our PTA and SIC, special activities for students, workshops for parents, and additional avenues for stakeholders to gain ownership in ADE evolved through the dedicated efforts of active volunteers and parents.

ADE diligently has pursued its mission to provide a positive school environment and provide developmentally appropriate learning experiences for all our students. Incorporation of programs such as READ 180, Accelerated Reader, Classworks, literacy groups, Reading Recovery, math manipulatives, classroom science projects, as well as other strategies, has provided all students a chance to learn and grow academically. Field trips to local and nearby venues have expanded our students' learning experiences. We strive to make ADE a place where everyone feels welcome and where everyone can become a part of our community.

Debbie Thomas, Principal Stephanie Hagerty, SIC Chair

<sup>\*\*</sup> Prior vear audited financial data available